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NL INDUSTRIES/TARACORP SUPERFUND SITE GROUP

Leed Environmental, Inc.

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February 24, 2003

First Class Mail

Mr. Brad Bradley
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
77 West Jackson Boulevard
Chicago, IL 60604-3590

**RE: NL Industries/Taracorp Superfund Site; Granite City, Illinois
2003 Annual Groundwater Monitoring Event**

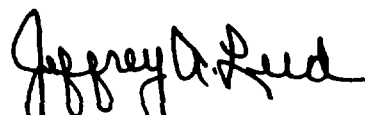
Dear Mr. Bradley:

Enclosed for your records are copies of letters that have been sent to property owners to notify them of the 2003 annual groundwater monitoring event to be conducted at the NL/Taracorp Superfund Site during the week of March 24, 2003.

Please contact this office if additional information or clarification is needed.

Very truly yours,

LEED ENVIRONMENTAL, INC.



Jeffrey A. Leed
Project Coordinator

attachments

cc: Ms. Sandra Bron - Illinois EPA (w/attachments, by first class mail)
Mr. Jack Kratzmeyer - ARCADIS (w/attachments, by first class mail)
Technical Committee, NL Industries/Taracorp Superfund Site Group
(w/attachments, by first class mail)



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Mr. Mark Bayley
Martin & Bayley, Inc.
928 County Road 1350 North
Carmi, IL 62821

**RE: NL Industries/Taracorp Superfund Site; Granite City, Illinois
Notification of Groundwater Sampling
Week of March 24, 2003**

Dear Mr. Bayley:

This letter is provided on behalf of the NL Industries/Taracorp Superfund Site Group ("Group") to advise you that the Group's consultant, ARCADIS, will mobilize to the NL/Taracorp Superfund Site in Granite City, Illinois, to collect groundwater samples from the temporary monitoring wells installed on your property. Groundwater sampling on your property has been scheduled for the week of March 24, 2003.

An access agreement was signed on December 24, 1999 which granted the Group and its consultants permission to enter your property for groundwater sampling activities. A copy of the access agreement is enclosed for reference.

Please contact this office at (610) 670-7310 if additional information or clarification is required. Thank you for your continuing cooperation in this matter.

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cc: Mr. Jack Kratzmeyer - ARCADIS (by first class mail)
Technical Committee, NL Industries/Taracorp Superfund Site Group
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VIA CERTIFIED MAIL

Mr. Mark Bayley
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P.O. Box 385
Carmi, Illinois 62821

Reference:

Notification of Groundwater Monitoring Event, Week of July 22, 2002
Consent for Access to Property ("Access Agreement")
Madison Avenue, Madison, Illinois
ARCADIS G&M Project No. CI001003.000B

Dear Mr. Bayley:


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We have enclosed an executed copy of the existing Access Agreement, which granted us permission to enter your property for the purposes of sampling the temporary groundwater monitoring well. Sampling on your property has been scheduled for the week of July 22, 2002.

If you should have any questions regarding this event, please contact either of the undersigned at 312.263.6703. Thank you again for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

ARCADIS G&M, Inc.


Jack Kratzmeyer
Principal Engineer/Project Manager


FOR Kristina Lala
Project Staff Engineer

Enclosures (1): Access Agreement

cc: Jeffrey Leed, Leed Environmental, Inc

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35 East Wacker Drive
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Tel 312 263 6703
Fax 312 263 7897

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Chicago, Illinois
28 June 2002

Contact:
Jack Kratzmeyer

Extension:
312.425.4114

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CONSENT FOR ACCESS TO PROPERTY

Company/Individual Granting Access ("Owner")

Martin and Bailey, Inc.

Description of Property to be Accessed ("Property")

Madison Avenue, Madison, IL 26060

We consent to allowing authorized representatives of the NL Industries Site Generator Group ("Group"), its agents and contractors, and the United States Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA"), its authorized representatives and contractors, to enter and have continued access to the Property for the following purposes:

1. Installation of groundwater monitoring wells and groundwater sampling.

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The monitoring wells will be installed by the Group's contractor during a period of about 1 - 2 days beginning in January 2000. The Group will provide written notice to the Owner regarding the schedule upon receipt of access from the Owner. Telephone notification will be provided for subsequent groundwater sampling activities. The monitoring wells will be removed and properly closed after the Group has received approval from EPA.

These actions by the Group are undertaken under order from the United States Environmental Protection Agency pursuant to the Agency's response and enforcement responsibilities under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (Superfund), 42 U.S.C. § 9601 et seq. Also, you understand that the Group is not a representative of the United States, and the United States shall not be liable or otherwise responsible for the actions or omissions of the Group, its representatives or contractors.

The Group's authorized representatives and contractors will perform the activities identified above in compliance with all applicable laws, regulations, rules, ordinances and orders of any governmental authority, including, without limitations, the provisions of all applicable federal, state and local health, safety and environmental laws and regulations, including 29 CFR Section 1910.120. The Group's authorized representatives and contractors will comply fully with all of the above laws, regulations, rules, ordinances and orders of any governmental authority and will comply with all applicable environmental, health and safety policies and procedures while on the Property. During any work on the Property, the Group's authorized representatives and contractors, to the extent practicable, shall conduct all activities so as not to interfere with other activities that may be conducted by Owner and so as to preserve good relations at all

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times, and shall promptly remove any of its subcontractors, employees, or agents causing any breach of the peace or other disturbance.

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This written permission is given by us voluntarily with knowledge of our right to refuse and without threats or promises of any kind.

Date: 12/24/99

Name: Mark Bayley

Signature

On Behalf of:

NL Industries Site Generator Group

By: Jeffrey A. Leed

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Project Coordinator on Behalf of NL
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Mr. L.R. Hurt

Terminal Railroad Association of St. Louis

1201 McKinley Street

Venice, IL 62090

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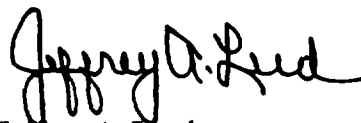
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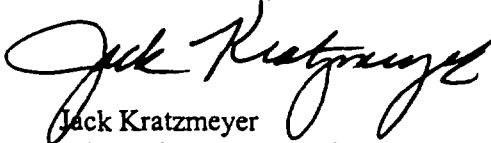
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Terminal Railroad Association of St. Louis

Description of Property to be Accessed ("Property")

16th Street, Granite City, Illinois

We consent to allowing authorized representatives of the NL Industries Site Generator Group ("Group"), its agents and contractors, and the United States Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA"), its authorized representatives and contractors, to enter and have continued access to the Property for the following purposes:

1. Installation of groundwater monitoring well(s) and groundwater sampling.

The installation of the groundwater monitoring well(s) in the location(s) shown on Exhibit I will begin in April 2000. Following installation, the well(s) will be sampled and analyzed for lead and other parameters required by EPA. The monitoring well(s) will be installed by the Group's contractor during a period of about 1-2 days beginning in April 2000. The Group will provide written notice to the Owner regarding the schedule upon receipt of access from the Owner. Telephone notification will be provided for subsequent groundwater sampling activities. The monitoring well(s) will be removed and properly closed after the Group has received approval from EPA.

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The Group's authorized representatives and contractors will perform the activities identified above in compliance with all applicable laws, regulations, rules, ordinances and orders of any governmental authority, including, without limitations, the provisions of all applicable federal, state and local health, safety and environmental laws and regulations, including 29 CFR Section 1910.120 and with the guidelines set forth in the applicable sections of the current edition of the American Railway Engineering Association's *Manual for Railway Engineering*. The Group's authorized representatives and contractors will comply fully with all of the above laws, regulations, rules, ordinances and orders of any governmental authority and will comply with all applicable environmental, health and safety policies and procedures while on the Property. During any work on the Property, the Group's authorized representatives and contractors, to the extent practicable, shall conduct all activities so as not to interfere with other activities that may be conducted by Owner and so as to preserve good relations at all times, and shall promptly remove any of its subcontractors, employees, or agents causing any breach of the peace or other disturbance.

The Group will perform the activities identified above in such a manner as not to be or constitute a hazard of any kind or an obstruction to navigation of any kind. Any equipment brought onto the Property that is necessary for the conduct of the Group's activities identified above shall be the property of the Group and shall be placed in the Property at the Group's sole and absolute risk. Owner makes no representation about the quality or regulatory status of materials to be excavated, removed, treated, probed, bored, or sampled or about the conditions at any excavation, removal, treatment, probe, bore, well or sample location. If an emergency should arise requiring immediate attention, the Group shall provide as much notice as practicable to Owner before commencing any activities identified above. In all other situations, the Group shall notify the Owner at least ten (10) days (or such other time as the Owner may allow in writing on a case-by-case basis) in advance of the commencement of any activities identified above upon the Property. All such activities identified above shall be prosecuted diligently to completion.

The Group agrees that, at the conclusion of the Group's Activities identified above, the Group shall restore the Property and any adjacent property owned by the Owner to the same or as good as condition as appeared before such activities identified above was commenced, at the Group's sole cost and expense. The Group agrees that, upon the expiration or earlier termination of this agreement, the Group shall restore the Property to the same or as good as condition as appeared before the Group's activities, as contemplated hereunder, commenced, at the Group's sole cost and expense.

In consideration for Owner consenting to allow access, the Group will indemnify and hold harmless Owner from any and all actions, claims, demands, liabilities, losses, damages or expenses, including damage to property or for loss of use of property, personal injury, and attorney's fees, which may be imposed upon or incurred by Owner as a result of the Group's or its members', employees', or its authorized representatives' or contractors', acts or omissions while conducting on the Property the work described above, except to the extent that such actions, claims, demands, liabilities, losses, damages or expenses result directly from the acts or omissions of Owner. The entry of the Group and its authorized representatives and contractors onto Owner's Property and performance of the work described above shall not, by itself, give rise to a claim for indemnification under this provision. Beyond the specific obligations assumed by the Group under this agreement, the Group assumes no other obligations to Owner regarding the work described above.

At all times during the term hereof the Group shall purchase and/or cause its contractor(s) to purchase and maintain in full force and effect, at its sole cost and expense, railroad protective insurance naming the Owner as the insured. The policy shall provide a limit for bodily injury, liability and property damage of \$2,000,000 per occurrence, \$6,000,000 annual aggregate. The original of said policy shall be furnished to the Owner prior to any entry on or any activities identified above upon the Property by the Group or its contractors. At all times during the term hereof, the Group shall, at its sole cost and expense, maintain general liability insurance (but excluding professional liability insurance) against any and all liability for bodily injury to or death of a person or persons, and for damage to or destruction of property, occasioned by or arising out of or in connection with the Group's Activities identified above or occurring on, in or about the Property, or the property in, on, over, across, above or under which the Group's Activities identified above are performed, including, but not limited to, contractual liability coverage for the Group's indemnity obligations under this agreement, with a minimum combined single limit of \$10,000,000. At all times during the term hereof, the Group shall, at its sole cost and expense, obtain and maintain in effect so long as

this agreement remains in effect, standard "all-risk" property insurance, insuring the Group's property of every kind and description of the Group and of persons claiming by or through the Group which may be on the Property against those risks normally encompassed in an "all-risk" policy, including, but not limited to, (a) loss or damage by fire; (b) loss or damage from such other risks or hazards now or hereafter embraced by an "Extended Coverage Endorsement," (c) loss for flood if the Property is a designated flood or flood insurance area; and (d) such other risks as a reasonably prudent owner of similar property in the locality where the Property is located would normally insure against. Such insurance shall provide for the payment of full replacement cost in the event of a total destruction of the Group's property.

In the event that the Group fails to comply with any of the terms, covenants, agreements, and conditions contained herein and if the Group continues in default in the performance of any term, condition, covenant or agreement herein within a reasonable period of time after written notice of said default from the Owner to the Group specifying said default, then the Owner, at its option and in its sole, absolute and unfettered discretion, may terminate this agreement immediately upon written notice to the Group.

The Group shall not assign this agreement, in whole or in part, or any rights herein granted, without the express and prior written consent of the Owner, and it is agreed that any transfer or assignment or attempted transfer or assignment of this agreement or any of the rights herein granted, whether voluntary, by operation of law, or otherwise, without such consent in writing, shall be absolutely void and, at the option of the Owner, shall terminate this agreement.

This agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto, their heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and assigns.

This written permission is given by us voluntarily with knowledge of our right to refuse and without threats or promises of any kind.

Date: May 11, 2000

Name: L.R. HURT

L.R. Hurt

Signature

On Behalf of:

NL Industries Site Generator Group

By: Jeffrey A. Leed

Jeffrey A. Leed

Signature

Project Coordinator on Behalf of NL Industries Site Generator Group

NL INDUSTRIES/TARACORP SUPERFUND SITE GROUP

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Mr. Carl Cannon
National Steel Corp.
Granite City Steel Co. Division
1951 State Street
Granite City, IL 62040

**RE: NL Industries/Taracorp Superfund Site; Granite City, Illinois
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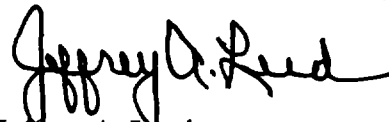
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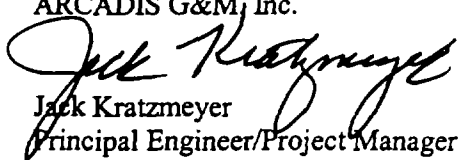
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Company/Individual Granting Access ("Owner")

National Steel Corp., Granite City Division

Description of Property to be Accessed ("Property")

1417 State Street, Granite City, IL 62040,

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The installation of groundwater monitoring wells in the locations shown on Exhibits 1 through 3 will begin in April 2000. Following installation, each well will be sampled and analyzed for lead and other parameters required by EPA as described in the Well Sampling provision of Attachment I.

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Date: 4/17/00

Name: Michael D. Gibbons

Signature: Michael D. Gibbons

On Behalf of:
NL Industries Site Generator Group

By: JEFFREY A. LEED

Signature: Jeffrey A. Leed

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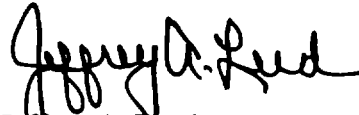
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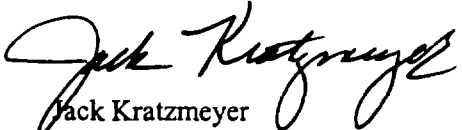
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The monitoring wells will be installed by the Group's contractor during a period of about 1 - 2 days beginning in January 2000. The Group will provide written notice to the Owner regarding the schedule upon receipt of access from the Owner. Telephone notification will be provided for subsequent groundwater sampling activities. The monitoring wells will be removed and properly closed after the Group has received approval from EPA.

These actions by the Group are undertaken under order from the United States Environmental Protection Agency pursuant to the Agency's response and enforcement responsibilities under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (Superfund), 42 U.S.C. § 9601 et seq. Also, you understand that the Group is not a representative of the United States, and the United States shall not be liable or otherwise responsible for the actions or omissions of the Group, its representatives or contractors.

The Group's authorized representatives and contractors will perform the activities identified above in compliance with all applicable laws, regulations, rules, ordinances and orders of any governmental authority, including, without limitations, the provisions of all applicable federal, state and local health, safety and environmental laws and regulations, including 29 CFR Section 1910.120. The Group's authorized representatives and contractors will comply fully with all of the above laws, regulations, rules, ordinances and orders of any governmental authority and will comply with all applicable environmental, health and safety policies and procedures while on the Property. During any work on the Property, the Group's authorized representatives and contractors, to the extent practicable, shall conduct all activities so as not to interfere with other activities that may be conducted by Owner and so as to preserve good relations at all

times, and shall promptly remove any of its subcontractors, employees, or agents causing any breach of the peace or other disturbance.

In consideration for Owner consenting to allow access, the Group will indemnify and hold harmless Owner from any and all actions, claims, demands, liabilities, losses, damages or expenses, including damage to property or for loss of use of property, which may be imposed upon or incurred by Owner as a result of the Group's or its members', employees', or its authorized representatives' or contractors', acts or omissions while conducting on the Property the work described above, except to the extent that such actions, claims, demands, liabilities, losses, damages or expenses result directly from the acts or omissions of Owner. The entry of the Group and its authorized representatives and contractors onto Owner's Property and performance of the work described above shall not, by itself, give rise to a claim for indemnification under this provision. Beyond the specific obligations assumed by the Group under this agreement, the Group assumes no other obligations to Owner regarding the work described above.

This written permission is given by us voluntarily with knowledge of our right to refuse and without threats or promises of any kind.

Date: 12/30/99.

Name: Brian S. Keating

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Signature

On Behalf of:
NL Industries Site Generator Group

By: Jeffrey A. Leed

Jeffrey A. Leed
Signature

Project Coordinator on Behalf of NL
Industries Site Generator Group

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February 24, 2003

Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested

Mr. George E. Webb
Metalico
1200 16th Street
Granite City, Illinois 62040

**RE: NL Industries/Taracorp Superfund Site; Granite City, Illinois
Notification of Groundwater Sampling
Week of March 24, 2003**

Dear Mr. Webb:

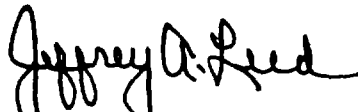
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An access agreement was signed on April 12, 1999 which granted the Group and its consultants permission to enter your property for groundwater sampling activities.

Please contact this office at (610) 670-7310 if additional information or clarification is required. Thank you for your continuing cooperation in this matter.

Very truly yours,

LEED ENVIRONMENTAL, INC.



Jeffrey A. Leed
Project Coordinator

cc: Mr. Jack Kratzmeyer - ARCADIS (by first class mail)
Technical Committee, NL Industries/Taracorp Superfund Site Group
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State Street Warehouse & Transfer
1459 State Street
Granite City, Illinois 62040

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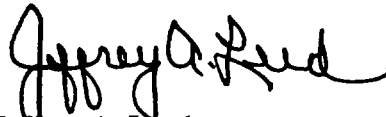
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